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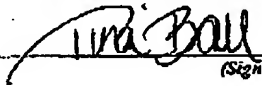
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Applicant(s): Doris Hjorth Hansen			
Application No. 10/553,143	Filing Date October 14, 2005	Examiner Not assigned	Group Art Unit Not assigned
Invention: SUTURE BAND		RECEIVED CENTRAL FAX CENTER OCT 13 2006	
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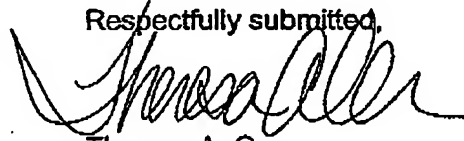
Sir:

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements mailed August 16, 2006 (copy enclosed) in connection with the above-identified application, Applicant encloses an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney as requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 12-2136 for the surcharge in the amount of \$65.00 for late filing of this document, as well as any other necessary fee that may have been overlooked.

Entry of the executed document is hereby respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Indication of Small Entity Status
- Copy of the International Application filed on 10/14/2005
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- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 10/14/2005
- Small Entity Statement filed on 10/14/2005
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 10/14/2005
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RESPONSE DUE:

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The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fees required for this application is \$65 for a Small Entity:

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- \$65 Surcharge.

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The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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